

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Rockland Survey Number: WA-II-102

Project: MD 65 from Oak Ridge Drive to MD 68 Agency: (F)SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Rockland is significant for its architecture and its largely intact farm complex. The two story house is constructed of brick and stone and covered in smooth textured stucco. It was constructed in two sections and clearly shows evidence of three distinct periods of architecture. The smaller, northern section has a simple doorway with four-light transom and construction details which suggest a construction date in the first quarter of the 19th century. However, it also has a mansard roof of slate shingles in an imbricated pattern, probably added in the late 19th century. The mansard roof is unusual in Washington County, where it is only occasionally found on large urban residences or public buildings. The larger, southern section has a hipped roof and relatively elaborate entranceway with a pedimented portico and door surround with fluted pilasters, dentil cornice and semi-circular fan light. This section appears to date to the second quarter of the 19th century. Rockland is also notable for its collection of farm buildings including a large frame barn and a two-story stone outbuilding.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Inventory WA-II-102

Prepared by: Elizabeth Hannold

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

9/18/90  
Date

NR program concurrence: ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ not applicable

Ronald L. Andrews  
Reviewer, NR program

9-18-90  
Date

## MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

## I. Geographic Region:

- ☐ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)  
☐ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles,  
Prince George's and St. Mary's)  
☐ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll,  
Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)  
☒ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

## II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- |  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paleo-Indian  | 10000-7500 B.C.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Archaic   | 7500-6000 B.C.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Archaic  | 6000-4000 B.C.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Late Archaic  | 4000-2000 B.C.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Woodland  | 2000-500 B.C.      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Woodland   | 500 B.C.- A.D. 900 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Late Woodland/Archaic   | A.D. 900-1600      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contact and Settlement  | A.D. 1570-1750     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural Agrarian Intensification   | A.D. 1680-1815     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural-Industrial Transition   | A.D. 1815-1870     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial/Urban Dominance  | A.D. 1870-1930     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modern Period   | A.D. 1930-Present  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Period ( <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric <input type="checkbox"/> historic ) |                    |

## III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- ☐ Subsistence  
☐ Settlement  
  
☐ Political  
☐ Demographic  
☐ Religion  
☐ Technology  
☐ Environmental Adaption

## IV. Historic Period Themes:

- ☐ Agriculture  
☒ Architecture, Landscape Architecture,  
and Community Planning  
☐ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)  
☐ Government/Law  
☐ Military  
☐ Religion  
☐ Social/Educational/Cultural  
☐ Transportation

## V. Resource Type:

Category: buildingHistoric Environment: ruralHistoric Function(s) and Use(s): Single dwelling, Agricultural outbuildingKnown Design Source: None

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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## NOMINATION FORM

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for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON: Rockland				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 1, about 1/2 mile north of Lappans, west of Route 65				
CITY OR TOWN: Fair Play				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____				
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Robert D. Beckley, Jr.				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 1				
CITY OR TOWN: Fair Play		STATE: Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 413/448				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered
	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>Rockland is located a short distance west of Maryland Route 65, about 1/2 mile north of Lappans Crossroads in Washington County. It is situated on a rise of ground and faces east.</p> <p>The structure is a two-story, seven-bay dwelling of white stucco over stone and brick. The house consists of two sections reflecting two building periods.</p> <p>The larger south section appears square with four bays in its front, side and rear walls. Its windows are relatively large with six-over-six light double-hung sashes at both levels. Wooden window framing members do not show pegged joining.</p> <p>The main entrance in the south section is located in the third bay from the south end of the house. A neoclassical pedimented entranceway with fluted pilasters and dentil cornice trim surrounds the doorway. A semi-circular fan light with ray mullions is present over the door. A doorway is present at the rear of the house, opposite the front entrance.</p> <p>A one-bay entrance porch with a flat roof sheds the front door.</p> <p>The roof of the south section is hipped with the ridge running on a north-south axis. Double chimneys rise from the interior of the house on an east-west axis. A small gable roofed dormer extends from each slope of the roof. Eaves boxing finished with molding completes the cornice of the south section.</p> <p>The north portion of the structure is three bays in length and is apparently constructed of stone. Smaller in size than the south section, its first floor windows contain nine-over-six light sashes while second story openings hold six-over-six pane double-hung sashes. Wooden framing members are wide. Those windows that were examined did not show pegged joining. Victorian period two-over-two pane sashes are present in dormers in the mansard roof.</p> <p>The main entrance was located in the center bay of the east wall. The doorway is framed very simply and is topped with a four-light transom. The door has six raised panels. Another door is present in the east bay of the north elevation. A three-bay entrance porch extends along the north wall of the house.</p> <p>The Victorian period mansard roof is covered with slate shingles set in an imbricated pattern. The roof is finished with decorative brackets and a wide frieze with ornamental trim. A brick flue rises from the interior of the house. At the rear of the house, some stucco has fallen away, exposing several courses of brick above the top of the stone wall, suggesting that the walls were at one time heightened.</p> <p>The building is in fair to good condition and is located on a tract containing 255.83 acres. Also on the property is a large barn and the ruins of a two-story, three-bay stone dwelling.</p>	

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## B. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Columbian      ☐ 16th Century      ☐ 18th Century      ☐ 20th Century  
☐ 15th Century      ☐ 17th Century      ☒ 19th Century

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                      |   |  |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Political      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | lasaphy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The major area of significance of Rockland is its architecture, particularly its Victorian period alterations. The house was greatly remodeled during the late 19th century as distinctly evidence by the Victorian empire style mansard roof on the north section. Although Rockland's alterations diminish its original architectural merits, the Victorian changes are unusual for Washington County and provide additional significance. The mansard roof was used infrequently in Washington County, occasionally being found on public buildings and fine houses. The few dated examples are from early 1870's.

Rockland's north wing appears to be the older of the two sections as evidenced by the windows, doors and their framing. The south wing could have been added during the second quarter of the 19th century.

The property is also significant for its association with Colonel Frisby Tilghman, a prominent early resident of Washington County. According to Scharf's History of Western Maryland, Col. Tilghman came to the area sometime before 1800. He purchased 200 acres of land called "Widow's Mite" in April of 1800 which he named "Rockland." The property remained in the Tilghman family until 1850.

Frisby Tilghman was born in 1773 and died in 1847. He founded the village of Tilghmanton, located about a mile south of Rockland, as a community for the poor.

Rockland is noted in Charles Varle's 1808 map of Washington and Frederick Counties.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Scharf, J. Thomas, History of Western Maryland, Vol. II, Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1968  
Varle, Charles, Map of Frederick and Washington Counties, 1808.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 255.33 acres

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant	
ORGANIZATION Washington County Historic Sites Survey	DATE June, 1974
STREET AND NUMBER: Court House Annex	
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown	STATE Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

Liber 413, Folio 448, September 16, 1964

Grantor: Paul W. Beckley

Grantee: Robert D. Beckley, Jr. and Helen W. Beckley and Nancy Lee Forsythe  
"Rockland Farm," 256-1/4 acres.

Liber 267, Folio 491, January 30, 1952

Grantor: Virginia Tucker Carmichael

Grantee: Paul W. Beckley & M. Pauline Beckley, Robert D. Beckley & Katherine  
E. Beckley  
"Rockland Farm," 256-1/4 acres.

Liber 202, Folio 149, September 19, 1936

Grantor: Henry P. Bridges, Exec. for the will of Priscilla W. Bridges

Grantee: Priscilla Bridges Carmichael  
\$10,000, 256-1/4 acres.

Liber 128, Folio 156, April 25, 1908

Grantor: Priscilla Bridges Charmichael & John Charmichael

Grantee: Priscilla W. Bridges  
\$17,937.50, 256-1/4 acres

Liber 107, Folio 566, January 17, 1898

Grantor: Daniel W. Reichard & L. Angella Reichard

Grantee: Robert Bridges  
\$13,523.09

Liber 88, Folio 169, November 11, 1885

Grantor: Margaret A. McKaig

Grantee: Daniel W. Reichard

Liber 78, Folio 516, December 24, 1879

Grantor: Thomas T. McKaig

Grantee: Frisby Tilghman McKaig

Liber 74, Folio 403, May 23, 1876

Grantor: Robert Bridges

Grantee: Thomas T. McKaigh  
\$25,000, 256-1/4 acres.

Liber WMkKK 2, Folio 321, March 26, 1870

Grantor: John A. Breathed & Margaret D. Breathed

Grantee: Robert Bridges & Charles W. Henderson  
\$18,000, 256-1/4 acres. Parts of "The Widow's Mite," "Resurvey on Charlemont"  
and "Montseido," called "Rockland."

Liber IN13, Folio 529, October 12, 1858

Grantors: George S. Kennedy & Rebecca L. Kennedy

Grantees: William Brosius  
\$18,200, "Rockland," 260-3/4 acres.

Liber IN5, Folio 99, April 15, 1850

Grantor: William P. Clark, Trustee

Grantee: George S. Kennedy

The property was sold in a court of equity case involving William B. Beverly  
and James B. Beverly vs. Susan A. Davis, Thomas E. Tilghman et al., November 18,  
1847, Docket 1, Suit 971, \$13,844.94, 260-3/4 acres.

Liber M, Folio 401, April 2, 1800

Grantors: John Langley and Sarah Langley (previously Sarah Helm)

Grantees: Frisby Tilghman

The property is described as part of "Widow's Mite," 100 acres.

Liber M, Folio 403, April 2, 1800

Grantor: Ignatius Simms

Grantee: Frisby Tilghman

The property is described as part of "Widow's Mite," 100 acres sold at ~~155~~ per acre.

Liber E, Folio 1108, April 9, 1788

Grantor: John Langley & Sarah Langley (previously Sarah Helm)

Grantee: Ignatius Simms

100 acres, "Widow's Mite," this deed was to replace a defective deed between Joseph Helm and Sarah Helm and Ignatius Simms.

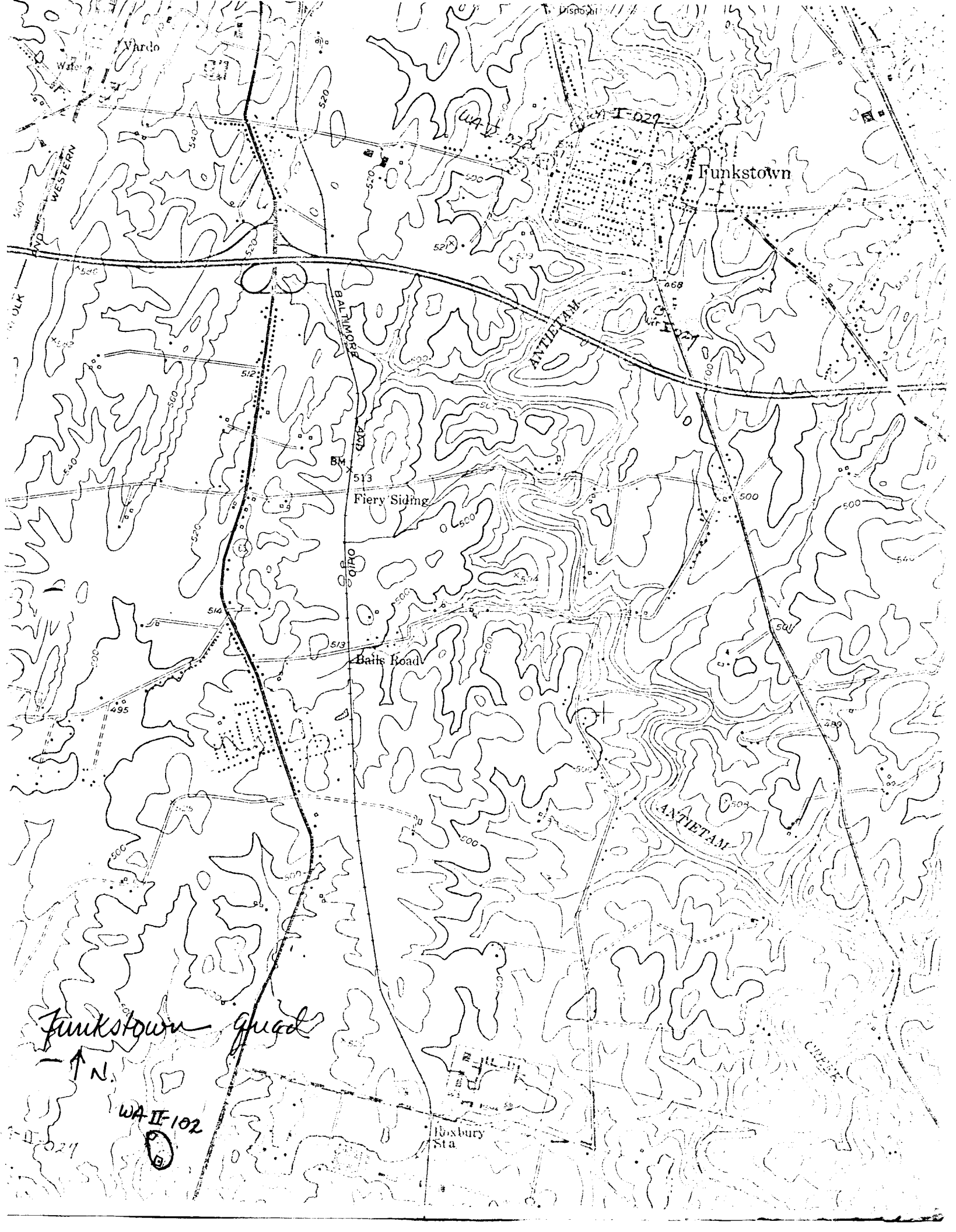
Liber C, Folio 583, February 17, 1784

Grantor: Joseph Helm

Grantee: Ignatius Simms

100 acres, £ 400.





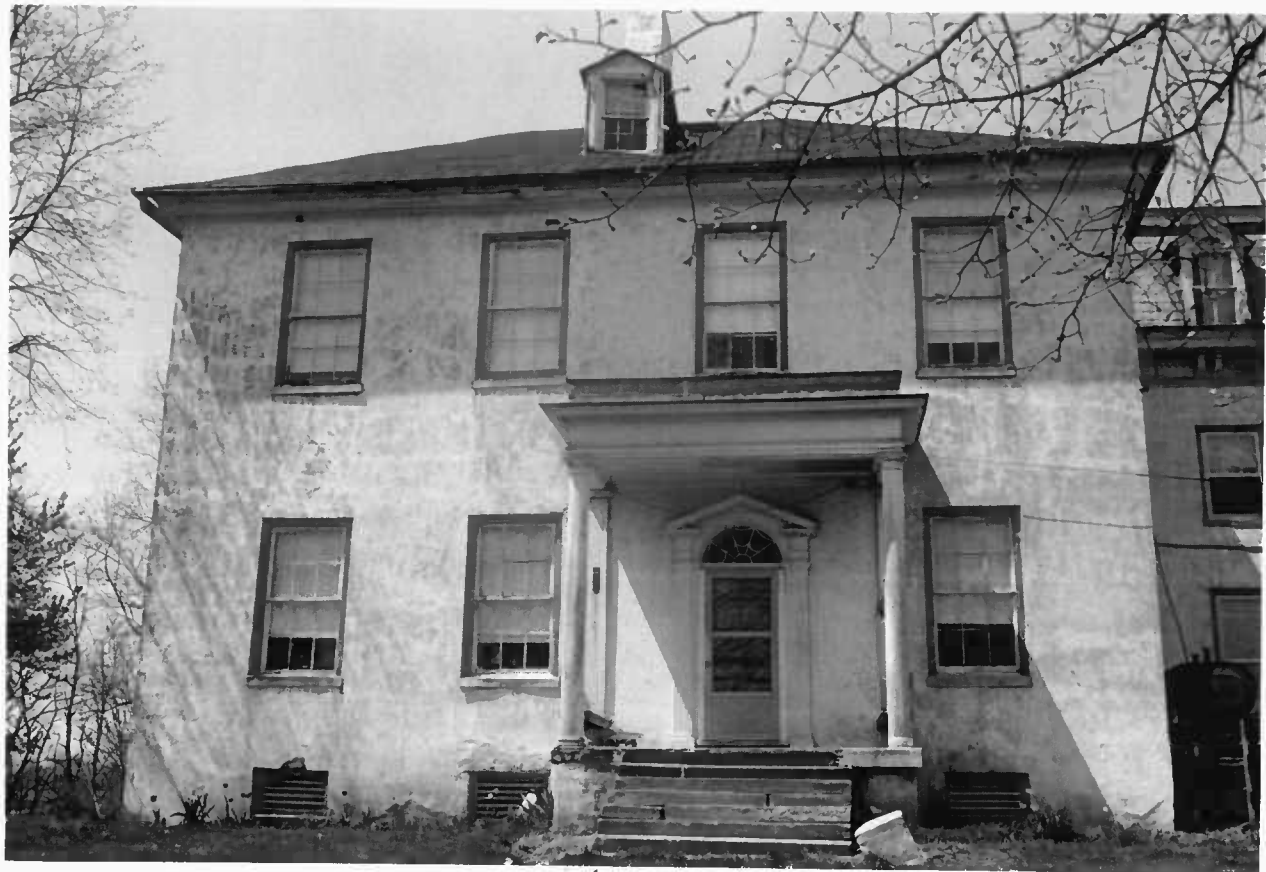


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